

JAMES C. MYERS.

[To accompany Bill H. R. No. 531.]

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MARCH 30, 1860.

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Mr. BRABSON, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

*The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of James C. Myers, report:*

That, having examined the case, they find from the proofs that the petitioner volunteered in the Tennessee volunteers, in the company commanded by Captain John I. Reese, in 1847, to serve in the Mexican war; that he served through that war faithfully, and was honorably discharged from such service by reason of disability incurred in the service in the line of his duty; that while with the army in Mexico he was assigned to picket-guard duty at the National Bridge, where, in consequence of so many of the troops being sick, he was compelled to do double duty. The exposure and serverity of this service brought diarrhœa and rheumatism on the petitioner. He went to the hospital, and remained disabled and afflicted till the return of the army. He then returned home emaciated and totally unfit to perform military duty or to provide a living for himself by manual labor, and has continued so disabled from the diseases contracted in the service to the present time. His application to the Pension office was rejected, for what cause does not appear. Your committee are of the opinion the evidence is sufficient to entitle him to a pension, and have reported a bill granting him eight dollars per month from January 1, 1860, during his natural life, and recommend its passage.

